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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on November 24, 2004, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in view of these amendments and the following remarks.

It is hereby petitioned that the period permitted for response be extended by 3 months, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), so that it will expire on May 24, 2005. The requisite fee is provided by the Fee Transmittal which is transmitted herewith.